CHRISTMAS CHIMES!

How they add to the Christmas spirit! "Silent Night, Holy Night"—"Adeste Fideles"—pealing out on crisp air that is richly laden with the memories of other Christmas seasons—of that One memorable Christmas-tide centuries ago. Each Christmas sees an ever increasing number of churches enjoying the benefits that come through the installation of Golden Voiced Tower Chimes.

A CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NEED

Not only at Christmas time but at every other season of the year these Modern Tower Chimes confer incalculable benefits through reaching the strays and non-attendants—those whom the Church most of all wants to reach but who shun every ordinary invitation. When Chimes are installed there is invariably a noticeable spiritual awakening in the community—new faces are seen in the congregation; regular communicants display added zeal.

Joas.11:14 He left nothing undone of all that the Lord commanded.

INTRO. If one deserved it, the text would make a most excellent epitaph.

No doubt Jushua did things to displease God, but did not fail to dowhat was required of him.

Most professing Xns fail just the other way. We all commit sins of commission and omission, but I ventur to say that we as Xns fail mostly on the side of leaving undone the things we should have done. As we neglect to do what God wants us to do without much sense of regret or stirrings of repentence.

This a.m. let each one make a mental inventory of the things we fail to do of all that the Lord commands us.

I. Our inaction towards God, our Heavenly Father.

Fellowship with God.

Neglect of the means of grace

Bible. Prayer. Xn service and witnessing.

"How shall we escape of we neglect so great a salvation."

X emphasizes in the same way in parable of talents.

Not our mistakes half so much as our neglects that keep us from finding heaven and happiness.

II. Our inaction towards our fellow men.

The friendships we let die, the letters we did not write; the visits we failed to make; the words of encouragement and cheer we did not speak.

"Be ye kind one to another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another".

The condemnation-"I was an hungered and ye gave me no ~~drink~~ meat, I was thirsty and ye gave me no drink; naked and ye clothed me not, was sick and in prison and ye visited me not, a stranger and ye took me not in"

III. Our neglect of ourselves.

Our neglect of God and of our fellows but the outcome of the neglect of ourselves.

"We should love God and man as ourselves".

Self-improvement. Soul growth.

IV. Why do we leave so many things undone that we know we ought to do?

1. Partly thru shee thotlessness. Why so many fail to go to church.

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2.But tp plead thotlessness is to beg the question.
The real source of our neglect is do to the false emphasis we put on life.

We emphasize the wrong things. We magnify the trifles and neglect the fundamentals, the real big and lasting things of life.

The business man who bolts breakfast to hurry to his task, who comes home cranky and tired, with no thot of his family.

The social woman

And we emphasize the wrong things largely because we are inclined to follow the path o f least resistance.
Take the matter of duty. We shirk the calls demanding cuurgge, diligence, sacrifice and give attention to the thinks having to do with our pride, our interest and our pleasure.

The spies sent into canaan- Caleb and Joshua.

Take the matter of chamcter- we leave out great principles because they are difficult to acquire and maintain.
Great duties are evaded because they mean heroism and suffering. Great opportunities are forfeited becuase they demand promptitude and resolution. Great works are left undone because they involve consecration and sacrifice.

CONCLUSION. What is needed? How can we cure ourselves of this sin of neglect? We find our cure today where Joshua found it 4000 yrs ago- in our whole-hearted surrender of ourselves to God.

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness".

The cartoon in Chicago Tribune, reprinted in Sierra Educational News.

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- Self Reliance
- Good Habits
- Clean Living

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Choose you this day whom you will serve